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WHAT IS ROHYPNOL?

- Rohypnol (chemical name fluritzrazepam) is a sedative that is more than ten times as strong as Valium.
- Rohypnol belongs to the benzodiazepines family, which also includes drugs such as Valium, Librium, and Xanax.
- Rohypnol is known as a "Date Rape



- Rohypnol is produced and marketed by Roche Pharmaceuticals Inc., a Swiss based Health Care Company.
- Rohypnol is available as a small, white tablet in 1 mg, or 2 mg doses with Roche inscribed into the pill.
- The consumption, possession and/or distribution of Rohypnol in the United States is illegal as it is a Schedule IV drug.

Because Rohypnol is odorless, colorless, and tasteless when dissolved in alcoholic/non-alcoholic beverages, LaRoche has begun to add additional properties to the pill. These properties within the pill:

- *Cause light colored drinks to turn blue.
- *Dissolve slowly and form small chunks in dark colored beverages.



Rohypnol tablets are white and are single- or cross-scored on one side with "ROCHE" and "1" or "2" encircled on the other.

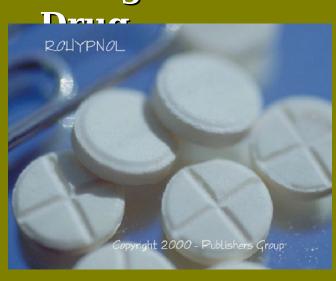
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HOW IS ROHYPNOL CONSUMED?

- •Rohypnol is almost always ingested orally in either the pill form or dissolved in a beverage.
- Rohypnol, in its powder form, can also be snorted.
- The effects of Rohypnol can be felt 15-30 minutes after ingestion.
- The effects of the drug can be felt for up to 35 hours after ingestion.

EFFECTS

- Disinhibition
- Slurred Speech
- ☐ Muscle Relaxation
- Aggressive Behavior
- Fearlessness
- Disorientation
- Amnesia



Though typically white in color, flunitrazepam pills recently seized in Egypt were of a brownish-pink tint, indicating a counterfeit product.

- ImpairedJudgement
- Respiratory Distress
- Loss of Motor Skills
- Blackouts (can last8-24 hours)
- Dizziness/Nausea
- Overdose
- Death

- Rohypnol is sometimes used as an "alcohol extender" in combination with beer and other alcoholic beverages.
- Poly-drug users sometimes ingest Rohypnol to enhance low-quality heroin or to counteract the effects of a cocaine binge.
- I Long time Rohypnol users may develop a tolerance for the drug, which could lead to physical dependence and severe withdrawal symptoms.

TESTING FOR ROHYPNOL

- Rohpynol is detectable in urine for approximately 2-4 days after ingestion.
- Rohypnol is extremely difficult to detect more than 4 hours after ingestion.
- A division of Hoffman-LaRoche has developed a special program to assist medical and law enforcement personnel to test for the presence of Rohypnol in the blood and urine specimen from rape victims.

ROHYPNOL TESTING IN THE ARMY

- Rohypnol is not tested for on a regular basis and is only tested for under special circumstances.
- Contact your local ASAP prior to collecting the specimen as special guidelines MUST be followed.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- http://www.usdoj.gov/dea/pubs/rohypnol/r ohypnol.htm
- http://www.teenchallenge.com/main/drugs /rohypnol.htm
- http://www.health.org
- http://www.lec.org/DrugSearch/Docume nts/Rohypnol.html
- http://www.streetdrugs.org/rohypnol.ht



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